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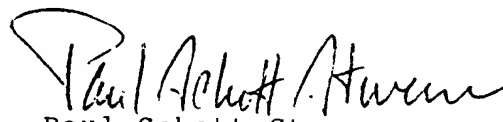
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SUBJECT: INF Ratification Efforts--Updated Status
Report on Materials for Senate (C)

I am attaching our fifth status report, updated today, on the Q/A packets and other projects being developed for submission to the Senate. All agencies are asked to carry out as soon as possible the action requests associated with those items which have not yet been completed. Please ensure that those remaining projects for which your agency is responsible are fully cleared inter-agency and submitted to the NSC for final clearance, with copies to other agencies. (C)


Paul Schott Stevens
Executive Secretary

Attachment

Tab A Informal Status Report

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STATUS REPORT ON INF PROJECTS

This is the fifth installment of our informal status report on interagency work on Senators' questions for the record, and on other INF projects. Drafting agencies are asked to continue to make sure that copies of all completed packets are promptly distributed interagency, via Executive Secretary channel. Our overall count is 736 Q/As completed by COB March 18, representing 66% of formally submitted Q's, including those new Q's just received (overall total now 1112).

State:

- Wallop, 12 Qs, completed and sent to Hill February 12.
- Biden, 31 Qs, completed and sent to Hill February 17.
- Burt/Glitman/Kampelman follow-on, 10 Qs, completed interagency. Glitman/Kampelman answers sent to Hill earlier. Burt's 2 As rewritten by State due to new developments and recirculated March 3. Cleared March 3 for submission to Hill.
- Pell, first package, 131 Qs, completed and submitted to Hill February 23.
- Pell request for answers to Helms, 246 Qs: Two rounds of interagency review completed March 1. Revised package, for formal NSC clearance, received by NSC from State on March 7. Other agencies still had not received copies of new iteration. State has been requested to provide full copies to other agencies, and to ensure formal interagency clearance on Glitman/Woodworth/Partlow level.
- Biden/Pell/Kerry/Pressler, i.e., second set from Biden and third from Pell: Answers submitted for each Senator individually, at State/H request. Status:
 - °Pressler: 10 Qs, completed and submitted to Hill February 19.
 - °Biden: 15 additional Qs. Completed February 23 and transmitted to Hill February 24.
 - °Pell: 40 additional Qs. Cleared, with fixes, by NSC February 26; submitted to Hill February 29.
 - °Kerry: 50 Qs, new cut received from State February 23. Extensive fixes needed. Markup provided by NSC Staff February 26, with request for final version to be submitted ASAP in Executive Secretary channel (with copies to other agencies) for final clearance. New cut received from State p.m. March 4, cleared by NSC for submission to Hill March 8.

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-- Cohen/Boren, SSCI: 60 Qs, State TF tasked to ACDA. ACDA is pulling together interagency comments. New cut received from ACDA for final NSC clearance p.m. March 4. NSC cleared for submission to Hill March 9.

-- Nunn/Warner, SASC: 78 Qs, cut down from larger packet sent informally in preparation for Glitman/Kampelman testimony on February 22. SASC staff reviewed testimony and sent formally this week. First draft of answers received from State for interagency clearance on March 3. Second draft, with agencies' comments, received March 8. NSC cleared for submission to Hill March 9.

-- Quayle, SASC: 50 Qs in letter to SecState, received February 18. Tasked within State. First draft responses received from State March 8. Packet needs extensive fixes. NSC comments provided March 17. State is requested to incorporate interagency fixes and provide final packet for NSC clearance ASAP via Executive Secretary, with copies to agencies.

-- New packet, Sen. Pell, 7 follow-up Q's to Burt. NSC gave final clearance, with fixes, to State March 4 for submission to Hill. (Note: SFRC staff called March 15 to state that packet still not received from State. Levitsky memo of March 16 indicated it subsequently went to Hill.)

-- New packet, Nitze, SFRC, 40 Q's: State has been requested to expedite circulation of draft responses. First draft received from State March 11.

-- New packet, Ridgway, SRFC, 10 Q's: Draft responses received from State March 4. NSC clearance, with fixes, given to State same date. New version distributed by State March 9, incorporating agency comments, and cleared by NSC for submission to Hill same date.

-- Rowny, SASC, 2 new Q's: Cleared by NSC for submission to Hill March 3.

-- New packet, received by State March 3, Abramowitz, SSCI, 54 Q's: Draft responses still in preparation.

-- Two Qs resubmitted by SFRC to State, on verification and linkage: expanded As circulated interagency by State and final approval given by NSC for submission to Senate March 11.

-- New packet, follow up to Shultz March 14 SFRC testimony, 7 Q's received by State March 15. State provided draft responses for interagency clearance on March 16.

DOD:

-- Pell request for answers to AEI paper, 100 "Qs", circulated for interagency clearance February 23. NSC Staff has emphasized

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importance of this packet and asked it to be worked as expeditiously as possible. Second iteration out for final interagency comments by March 2. DOD was requested to submit final, interagency-cleared version to NSC for final approval, with copies to other agencies, ASAP. Received from DOD March 11. NSC clearance provided on March 18 with request it be provided to Hill in time for OOB Monday, March 21.

-- SSCI staff Q's, January 28, 6 Q/As: OSD responses provided to Hill on January 29.

-- Carlucci follow up packet, from SASC, 5 Qs. Completed and sent to Hill.

-- Biden/Pell packet to Carlucci: 19 Qs; 17 of 19 fully cleared earlier interagency. Had to wait for final communique from NATO Summit to close on last two. Final NSC clearance given on these March 4.

-- SRFC inserts for record, 9 Qs, completed and sent to Hill February 16.

-- Miscellaneous Qs from SSCI, 10 Qs: Staffed within DIA and IC. NSC asked ISP to prod on this and advise status. NSC was advised by ISP on March 17 that these were sent to SSCI by IC without further clearance.

-- Additional Q's from SSCI (Cohen/Boren), 13 Q's identified as "Question 11": Draft response received from ISP on March 16 for interagency clearance. Cleared by NSC March 17 for submission to Hill.

-- New packet, Sen. McCain, 9 Q's. DOD stated they are complicated and include assessments. Five submitted interagency and cleared by NSC March 7. DOD was requested to advise status of the remaining Q/As. Final 4 Q/As received for clearance Friday, March 11. Final approval given by NSC March 16.

-- New packet, Sen. Kerry, received February 24, 23 Qs: circulated interagency March 2. Cleared by NSC March 9, but held up by State/OSD differences over 2 Q/As. Final resolution provided by NSC March 16, for submission to Hill

-- New "packet", Sen. Nunn, 3 follow-up Q's to Ron Lehman's February 16 SASC testimony: draft circulated by OSD, February 23. NSC cleared with one change February 26. Submitted to Hill.

-- Three new Inserts for Record for Lehman, -SFRC: DOD drafting, to be circulated interagency March 18.

JCS:

-- Crowe follow-up packet, Biden/Pell, 67 Qs: Received

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February 17. NSC received first draft responses from JCS on March 8. NSC asked JCS March 9 to circulate this packet to other agencies for clearance. NSC provided comments on March 15 and asked for new draft, reflecting NSC and agencies' comments, to be sent via Executive Secretary for final NSC approval ASAP, with copies to agencies. New draft received March 16. Final clearance provided by NSC March 17 for submission to Hill.

-- New packet, 14 inserts for record, circulated by JCS p.m. March 4 for clearance, with a revised answer for one of them circulated on March 9. NSC cleared for submission to Hill March 9.

Other Projects:

-- ACDA paper, now titled "Topical Overview of the Negotiations," another Pell request: all agencies agreed it should be submitted to Pell, under ACDA (Eimer) cover letter, as soon as agencies were comfortable with text. ACDA provided new text for final clearance. NSC approval provided March 2, via Executive Secretary. Submitted to Senate March 4.

-- Legal analyses, another Pell request: State/L drafted response and circulated for clearance in legal channels. New draft received from State/L March 1. Final White House/NSC clearance, with fixes, provided on March 7, via Executive Secretary.

-- Art. 14 guidance packet: Full packet has been completed and cleared. Distributed interagency by NSC Executive Secretary February 24.

-- Helms letter to SecState January 26 concerning NIE 11-4-88. NSC cleared; sent to Hill March 1; State provided copies to other agencies under Reddy cover memo of March 14.

-- Helms letter to SecState February 9, asking more info on negotiating record. Ball sent interim reply February 16. Tasked by TF to L. State response sent to Senate. State provided copies of response to other agencies under Reddy cover memo of March 14.

-- JCS, six self-initiated Q/As: Completed.

-- McClure letter of January 29 to SECDEF asking detailed info on cost implications for implementing the Treaty. Draft response for NSC clearance received from OSD on March 17. Cleared by NSC same date. Cleared response will be circulated by OSD to all agencies.

-- Senator Wilson's December 15 letter to SECDEF on Plant #19: Ikle responded on February 1.

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